

Jews

The Jewish National Fund

OVER yonder is the land that thrills the Jewish heart with splendid memories. **It is the land of our glorious past,—Palestine.**

No self-respecting Jew can afford to disregard and forsake Palestine.

The Jewish National Fund has undertaken the task of redeeming the soil of Palestine for the Jews willing to cultivate it and live on it.

The Jewish National Fund wants to get back for the Jewish people that which any civilized nation would deem the greatest of its treasures.

All land that may be acquired in Palestine by the Jewish National Fund is to be **the permanent and inalienable property of the Jewish people.**

Should you not consider it an honor and a privilege to share in this work?

WHAT HAS THE NATIONAL FUND DONE IN PALESTINE?

It has promoted Agricultural Colonization.

The Jewish National Fund has so far acquired over 10,000 dunams of fertile land in various parts of Palestine. On this land there now exist three **Workmen's agricultural colonies**: Dagonia, Kinereth and Merchawja, the latter on a co-operative basis, and five different **farm industries**, each of them an experiment as to new possibilities in Jewish agricultural pursuits, amongst them a training farm for men and one for girls. By the granting of a hypothecary loan the Jewish National Fund has also secured, for future acquirement, a large tract of exceedingly fine soil.

In Hulda and Ben Schamen (on the Jaffa-Jerusalem Railway line) the Jewish National Fund has covered a space of 2200 dunams with about **40,000 fruit trees**, the prospective income of which is destined for the educational needs of the Jews in Palestine.

Through the Anglo-Palestine Co., (a filial institution of the Jewish Colonial Trust, London) the Jewish National Fund has **granted loans to individuals and groups** in the Jewish colonies enabling them to establish themselves firmly and to extend their plantations. The new workmen's colonies Ain Ganim and Nachlath Jehuda were especially benefited by long term credits from the Jewish National Fund.

It has promoted Rural and Urban settlements.

By the granting of extensive credits to the Anglo-Palestine Co., the Jewish National Fund brought about the erection of the beautiful suburb **Tel-Aviv** in Jaffa, which has raised the prestige of the Jew in Palestine. Out of the repayments on account of the loan for Tel-Aviv further credits were granted for the erection of **Nachlath Benjamin**, another flourishing Jaffa suburb.

The Jewish National Fund has contributed a great deal to the solving of the serious problem of Jewish labor for the Jewish colonies by providing **dwelling for Jewish laborers** in many colonies. With the help of a special fund it had built up to July 1st, 1913, fifty-two one family houses and thirteen barracks, housing 135 families in all, besides two large bachelor dormitories in Petach Tikvah and Chederah. Most of these accommodations were let to the Jewish refugees from Yemen, a sturdy and faithful tribe of our race, now fleeing from unbearable persecution, to whom Palestine is the ideal haven of refuge, and who promise to become a most useful element in the agricultural development of the country.

It has aided the Bezalel School of Arts and Crafts of Jerusalem to settle Jewish workmen of the filigree atelier, with their families, on National Fund land at Ben Schamen. Each family has a cottage, with a plot of land for garden-farming. **Domestic industry** is thus established in the open country and connected with agricultural pursuits.

It has promoted Institutions of Public Utility.

The Jewish National Fund has provided the **Bezalel** with two large well-situated houses. This school, founded in 1905, now employs several hundred Jewish men and women, and has opened up new sources of industry for the many Jews in the Holy Land who had been existing upon alms.

It has provided the **Hebrew High Schools** (gymnasias) in Jaffa and Jerusalem with the sites for their buildings and has similarly given, at a cost of 100,000 francs, the site for the **Jewish Technical Institute**, soon to be opened at Haifa.

Of late the Jewish National Fund has also pledged a free site for the proposed new hospital in Jaffa, a matter of dire necessity.

The capital of the Jewish National Fund at the end of June, 1913, has reached the sum of 3,490,524 Marks, about 73% of which were invested in Palestine.

YOU MAY HELP THIS FUND

By subscribing a certain sum as a **Voluntary annual tax.**

By purchasing one dunam or more of land in Palestine in your own name and presenting it to the National Fund. One dunam costs Ten Dollars. The purchaser of a dunam will have his name entered in a special land register, and receive an artistic certificate. This land will be exclusively devoted to settlement by Jewish agricultural laborers.

By planting one or more Trees, at the cost of \$1.50 each, in the name of your friend or relative. These trees have already provided many Jewish families with employment, and later the profit realized out of the sale of the fruit thereof, will go towards the maintenance of Jewish Educational Institutions in Palestine.

By inscribing in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund the name of any person whom you desire to show particular honor, or whose memory you would like to perpetuate, which will be done on payment of One Hundred Dollars at once or in installments within two years. The inscriber, or the person inscribed, receives a beautiful certificate suitable for framing.

And there are other ways of contributing to the Fund, which will cheerfully be explained to you upon request.

WILL YOU HELP THE FUND?

All remittances, orders for leaflets and inquiries should be addressed to the

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